

Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for August 10:

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**OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE EDUCATION COURSE AT YUBA STATE PARK**

Levan -- Due to several recent off-highway vehicle (OHV) accidents in our state, Utah State Parks and Recreation is offering an OHV safety training day Saturday, August 14 at Yuba State Park.

At noon, participate in an OHV seminar for a review of safety tips, proper equipment, laws and rules, emergency survival and other important topics.

At 1 p.m., youth eight to 15 who have completed the online certification course can practice their riding skills and participate in a hands-on skills class. Students are required to wear a helmet, goggles, long pants, long-sleeved shirt, gloves and over-the-ankle boots.

Utah law requires youth ages eight to 15 to complete an online education course if they want to operate OHVs on public land. Access the online course at [stateparks.utah.gov/ohv](http://stateparks.utah.gov/ohv). For more information, call 1-800-OHV-RIDE or Yuba State Park at (435) 758-2611.

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**UTAH STATE PARKS BOATING SAFETY TIP OF THE WEEK**

**Salt Lake City** -- As a boat operator, you are responsible for ensuring your passengers understand basic safety practices. Review the following safety tips before heading out on the water:

- Wear a life jacket at all times
- Know where critical safety equipment is located, including life jackets, fire extinguishers, distress signals, bailing devices, first aid kit and anchor
- Know safety procedures if you're caught in rough weather, someone falls overboard, your boat capsizes, or a fire erupts

- Know how to use the VHF marine band radio, make a MAYDAY call and signal for help

- Know that alcohol and boats do not mix. It is illegal for the boat operator to consume alcohol

- Know never to leave the steering wheel and throttle controls with the engine in gear, even to simply turn around and talk with passengers

For additional safe boating tips visit [stateparks.utah.gov/boating](http://stateparks.utah.gov/boating) or call (801)538-BOAT. Wear it Utah!

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### **POTTERY WORKSHOP AT FREMONT INDIAN STATE PARK AND MUSEUM**

**Sevier** – Learn ancient pottery techniques at Fremont Indian State Park and Museum September 10 through 12. Local artists teach methods of pottery making, decorating and firing in a rock-lined pit.

Fees are \$60, and clay and tools are available for sale. Pre-registration is required by calling (435) 527-4631. Fremont Indian State Park and Museum is located 21 miles south of Richfield on I-70.

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### **UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS**

August 29                      Dead Horse Point State Park - Moab  
Incredible Insects! Meet at the visitor center amphitheater at 8 p.m. for a program about the insects that make their home at Dead Horse Point State Park. There will be a short presentation and an opportunity to explore the desert for insects. (435) 259-2614

September 1                      Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante  
Geology Hike - A Forest Turned to Stone: How did a forest turn to stone? Discover the answer on a guided hike to the Petrified Forest. Meet at the visitor center at 10 a.m. (435) 826-4466

September 2                      Dead Horse Point State Park - Moab  
Star Party: Join us for an evening star party complete with a constellation tour. Party lasts from 9 until 10:30 p.m. Meet at the visitor center amphitheater. (435) 259-2614

September 3                      Escalante Petrified Forest State Park - Escalante  
Starry Skies: Enjoy our famous dark skies as we take a tour through the galaxy using the park telescope. Meet at the visitor center at 8:30 p.m. Dress for cool weather and bring a folding chair. (435) 826-4466

September 4 and 6    Camp Floyd/Stagecoach Inn State Park and Museum -  
Fairfield

Camp Floyd Days: Camp Floyd State Park, in conjunction with the Utah Territorial Civilian Commission and Utah Civil War Association, host a Civil War Encampment from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event allows visitors to experience camp life and participate in activities performed by soldiers of Johnston's Army including reenactments, encampments, storytelling, stagecoach rides, firearm and cannon demonstrations, marches, drills, and 1861 period games. (801) 768-8932

September 4                      Rock Cliff Nature Center/Jordanelle State Park - Francis  
Junior Ranger Program - Take it Outside: September is a great time to be outside. Take a walk with the naturalist and see what there is to discover. Rock Cliff is located on the east side of Jordanelle Reservoir. (435) 782-3030

September 4                      Hailstone Recreation Area/Jordanelle State Park - Heber  
Falcons up Close: Learn about birds of prey and what makes them unique. Program begins at 7 p.m. Hailstone is located on the west side of Jordanelle Reservoir. (435) 782-3030.

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